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In re Application of: Efendic et al

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Before the above-captioned application is taken up for examination, entry of the following amendment is respectfully requested:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 1, after the title, insert

reference. - -

-- CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation of U.S. application no. 08/842,121 filed on April 23, 1997, which is a continuation of 08/295,913 filed on October 13, 1994, now issued patent 5,631,224 issued October 28, 1998 which is a 371 national application of PCT/DK93/00099 filed on March 18, 1993, which claims priority to Danish application 363/92 filed March 19, 1992, the contents of which are fully incorporated herein by

Please amend the specification by attaching the enclosed separate sheet entitled "ABSTRACT" following the last page of the specification.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-8 and add the following claims:

- 9. (New) A method of treating diabetes which method comprises administering an effective amount of GLP-1(7-37), GLP-1(7-36)amide, or a pharmaceutically acceptable peptide containing a fragment of the GLP-1(7-37) sequence, or an analogue or a functional derivative of such a peptide to a patient in need of such a treatment in a regimen which additionally comprises treatment with an oral hypoglycaemic agent.
- (New)The method of claim 9 in which GLP-1(7-37) or GLP-1(7-36) amide is administered.
- (New) The method of claim 9 in which the oral hypoglycaemic agent is a biguanide.
 - 12. (New) The method of claim 14 in which the oral hypoglycaemic is metformin.
- 13. (New) The method of claim 10 in which the oral hypoglycaemic agent is a biguanide.
 - 14. (New) The method of claim 19 in which the oral hypoglycaemic is metformin.

REMARKS

Claims 1-8 are cancelled and new claims 9-14 added. Therefore, claims 9-14 are pending. The new claims are supported by cancelled claims 1-8. No new matter added,

and entry of the amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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